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Hamilton County Public Health Welcomes Homemade Masks

Craft & Sewing Enthusiasts Encouraged to Participate

Hamilton County, OH – Hamilton County Public Health (HCPH) would be pleased to receive homemade facemasks made by those in the community who have these special skills.

"The community wants to help and we have an opportunity for them," according to interim Hamilton County Health Commissioner Greg Kesterman. "We have been receiving calls and notes from folks who sew, participate in craft clubs and other hands-on activities. We'd love their help."

"Of course, these masks would not be used as part of medically-required personal protection protocol," says Dr. Steve Feagins, Medical Director at Hamilton County Public Health. "However, there are limited supplies of personal protective equipment, including masks. These masks should be laundered daily."

Community members can drop the masks into a collection box in the lobby of Hamilton County Public Health, 250 William Howard Taft, Cincinnati, 45219, Monday –



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Friday, 8 a.m. -4 p.m. Park in the rear of the building, enter in the marked doors where you will find the drop box.

"We're truly appreciative of the effort," Kesterman said. "It's encouraging to see Hamilton County citizens step up to help others."

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Hamilton County Public Health works to assure the 480,000 citizens living outside the cities of Cincinnati, Norwood and Springdale are safe from disease, injury and contamination.